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**MESSAGE:****Examiner Nguyen:**

Attached please find the following documents for filing in the above-referenced application:

1. Amendment Transmittal; and
2. Amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Joseph M. Villeneuve  
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In re application of: Hall et al.

Attorney Docket No.: LEANP001

Application No.: 09/482,154

Examiner: Nguyen, Nga B.

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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
CONNECTING SHIPPERS AND CARRIERS IN  
THE THIRD PARTY LOGISTICS  
ENVIRONMENT VIA THE INTERNET

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Sir:

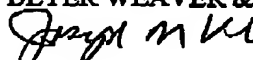
Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

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Total Claims	28	MINUS	39		x 25 = 0	x 50 =
Independent Claims	10	MINUS	14		x 100 = 0	x 200 =
Multiple Dependent Claim Present and Fee Not Previously Paid						
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 28, 2005, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

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